



PATENT CASE: IN01154K

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Chen *et al*) Examiner: R. Mondesi
Serial No.: 09/825,399) Group Art Unit: 1653
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**For: Macrocyclic NS3-Serine Protease Inhibitors of Hepatitis C Virus
Comprising N-Cyclic P2 Moieties**

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Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action that the Examiner issued on August 12, 2003, in the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-36 are pending in the case. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following Amendment.

Amendment to the Specification is shown on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 38 of this paper.